



PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 04173.0446-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kazutaka AKIYAMA) Group Art Unit: 2826
Application No.: 10/807,274) Examiner: Leonardo ANDUJAR
Filed: March 24, 2004) }
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD) Confirmation No.: 3986))
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450	

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement mailed March 27, 2006, the period for response to which extends through April 27, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between:

Group I: Claims 1-16, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a semiconductor device and classified in class 257, subclass 758; and

Group II: Claims 17-20, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a method of manufacturing a semiconductor device and classified in class 438, subclass 647.

Applicant elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-16, without traverse.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 26, 2006

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